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SUBJECT: MOROCCO REQUESTS USG SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE CANDIDATE

The Embassy is in receipt of a diplomatic note, number 0288, from the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs requesting U.S. Government support for the candidacy of Ambassador El Hassane Zahid for membership on the United Nations' International Civil Service Committee. The full candidate packet will be scanned and emailed to NEA/MAG. A translation of the diplomatic note is appended below.

Begin text:

Complimentary opening.

The Kingdom of Morocco has officially presented the candidature of Ambassador El Hassane Zahid to the United Nations, for a seat on the United Nations' International Civil Service Committee. Morocco will present the candidature of Mr. Zahid for a new four-year term (2009-2012), during elections to be held in New York in September 2008, during the next session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Current Ambassador of His Majesty the King in Thailand since 2003, Mr. Zahid, whose curriculum vitae is enclosed, was also Deputy Permanent Representative of Morocco in New York, and Vice Chairman of the Fifth Administrative and Financial Committee during the 47th session of the United Nations General Assembly.

In view of the excellent relations of friendship and cooperation existing between our two countries, the Moroccan Government would particularly appreciate the support that your Government could bring to this candidacy.

Complimentary closing.

End text.

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